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PROGRAM MEMORANDUM

TO: Administrators of Perkins Grants

FROM: Tom Quinn

Interim Assistant Commissioner Division of Career Education

DATE: February 1, 2008

SUBJECT: #2008-02 – Perkins IV Update

As the implementation of Perkins IV draws near, the Division of Career Education believes there are two items that warrant further discussion:

Perkins IV Intent Form

The Division has received the *Postsecondary Eligible Recipient Intent Form* from each local educational agency (LEA) for the Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education Improvement Act of 2006. Enclosed is a listing of the fiscal agents and the consortium members, if applicable, based on the intent forms submitted by each LEA.

As required by the Act, each fiscal agent will be responsible for submitting to the Division a five-year strategic plan. For the fiscal agents of each consortium, the strategic plan should include all of the LEAs in the consortium. As stated in Section 132(a)(3) of the Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education Improvement Act of 2006, "Funds allocated to a consortium formed to meet the requirements of this section shall be used only for purposes and programs that are mutually beneficial to all members of the consortium and shall be used only for programs authorized under this title. Such funds may not be reallocated to individual members of the consortium for purposes or programs benefiting only one member of the consortium."

It is the expectation of the Division that the consortiums will stay intact for the duration of Perkins IV (Fiscal Year 2009 through Fiscal Year 2013).

Perkins IV Planning Workshop

The Division will be hosting a half-day workshop on Tuesday, March 11, 2008, beginning at 8:30 a.m. at the Country Club Hotel and Spa, Lake Ozark. The workshop is being held in conjunction with the Missouri Council for Career and Technical Administrator's (MCCTA) spring conference. Breakfast will be provided.

The purpose of the workshop is to provide information to LEAs on the use of the new electronic planning and electronic grants system (ePeGs) which will house the new Perkins local plan and application. In addition, specific information will be provided on the new requirements of Perkins IV regarding programs of study. Finally, information will be provided on accountability reporting through the Missouri Student Information System (MOSIS).

Registration for the MCCTA spring conference is not required in order to attend the Perkins workshop. If an LEA wishes to be represented at the workshop and they are not registered for MCCTA, they will need to notify Sandy Murray at (573) 751-3500 or sandy.murray@dese.mo.gov with the number attending no later than March 3, 2008. There is no registration cost for the Perkins workshop. Questions regarding the Perkins workshop should be directed to Dennis Harden at (573) 751-3500 or dennis.harden@dese.mo.gov.

Enclosed is information regarding the MCCTA spring conference, including a registration form, hotel information and agenda. Questions regarding the MCCTA spring conference should be directed to Bob Larivee at mccta1@charter.net.

Enclosures

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